



May 19, 2020

Joint Legislative Committee on Local Government
North Carolina General Assembly
Legislative Building
16 West Jones Street
Raleigh, North Carolina 27601
Attention: Committee Chairs and Committee Assistant

Fiscal Research Division
North Carolina General Assembly
Legislative Office Building
Suite 619
300 North Salisbury Street
Raleigh, North Carolina 27603-5925

Re: Financing of Parks and Recreational Facilities by the County of Lee, North Carolina

Ladies and Gentlemen:

In accordance with Section 120-157.2(a) of the General Statutes of North Carolina, as amended, the County of Lee, North Carolina (the "County") hereby notifies you of its intent to issue general obligation bonds pursuant to The Local Government Bond Act, Article 4 of Chapter 159 of the General Statute of North Carolina, as amended, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed of \$25,000,000 for the purpose of providing funds, together with any other available funds, for acquiring, constructing, expanding and improving various parks and recreational facilities for the County, including, without limitation, a multi-sport complex and any related land, rights of way and equipment. The issuance of bonds would be subject to voter approval at a bond referendum anticipated to be held on November 3, 2020. Subject to voter approval, the bonds would be secured by the full faith and credit and taxing power of the County, without limitation as to rate or amount, and the County would expect to pay the debt service on the bonds from general fund revenues of the County,

It is expected that the bonds would have a term of approximately 20 years and would be amortized on a level principal basis. Subject to voter approval, the bonds are expected to be sold by the North Carolina Local Government Commission by competitive sale pursuant to a public offering of the bonds, at which time the interest rate(s) of the bonds would be established. It is not certain at this time when the bonds will be sold or if they will all be sold at one time. Pursuant to state statute, the County will have up to seven years to issue all of the bonds. If the

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bonds are competitively sold, the interest rate on the bonds will be the lowest true interest rate bid for the bonds at the time the bonds are sold.

If you have any questions or require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Lisa G. Minter", written over a horizontal line.

Lisa G. Minter

Assistant County Manager/Finance Director
County of Lee, North Carolina

cc: Tony Blalock, Local Government Commission